

BOARD OF ARCHITECTS
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APPROVED MINUTES
*****Subject to Errors and Omissions*****
Meeting of February 2, 2010

Present: Ed Wolfstein, Chairman, Frank Guillot, Vice Chair; Arnold Aho, Secretary, Ingrid Nichols; Janet Stackpole and Jennifer Arbuckle.

Members Absent: Heidi Passalacqua

1. Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 17, 2009**

Makesure "draft minutes" is reflective on the minutes
***Indicate on new minutes "on all new minutes.

MOTION to approve by Chairman Wolfstein. Seconded by Janet Stackpole. The board reviewed the minutes adding special notation to the "Unapproved Minutes", need to indicate all unapproved minutes and re "subject to errors and omissions". Also, noted members of the public were in attendance at the meeting on December 17, 2009 which was excluded from the minutes. Changes to the minutes to reflect

Individuals attending the hearing on by-laws change s: Daniel Johnson (President VtAIA), Barbara Conrey, (VTC), and John MKcLeod (Past-president VtAIA).

Comments: Ed Wolfstein, Frank Guillot, and Arne Aho opened the hearing portion of the meeting by explaining the context and reasons for the proposed by-law changes (especially the elimination of the "Nine-year Option"). Barbara Conrey expressed opposition to the proposal. Among her comments she pointed out that 18 other states allow experience in lieu of education and also questioned if there was any evidence of failure(s) of the "Nine-year Rule" in Vermont. She also pointed out the economic hardships for students interested in architecture if there were no public college option available in Vermont. Daniel Johnson questioned why higher education was so important to the profession.

Motion passed 6-0 with the above correction to reflect the actual meeting events.

3. **REPORTS**

Chairman Wolfstein and Frank Guillot are going to the NCARB conference in Boston, MA on March 23-28, 2010.

NCARB National meeting will take place in San Francisco, CA and will be held on June 23-26, 2010. NCARB will pay for 2 of our board members to attend.

MOTION by Chairman Wolfstein, seconded by F. Guillot to have Terry move forward in researching the benefits of NCARB direct registration and urged Terry to attend the National or Regional Conferences for 2010. Motion Carried 6-0.

4. **HEARINGS/STIPULATIONS/REPORT OF CONCLUSION INVESTIGATION**

Chairman Wolfstein provided an overview of the case to the board.
MOTION by J. Arbuckle to approve case #2006-390 (UL P-AR07-0306), seconded by J. Stackpole. Motion passed 6-0.

5. **LEGISLATION/RULEMAKING**

Chairman Wolfstein provided an overview of the process of the new regulations set forth to the Legislative Committee. The Board decision is to pull the bill this year and give the architecture community the opportunity for more open dialogue and input with the Board. For over two years the Board has been working on the wording of this legislation, but unfortunately, the minutes have not adequately reflected this. The Board's intention is to open avenues of communication in expressing the intent of the Board regarding why our statute needs to update the 9 year rule. The Board will be generating and mailing a letter to all licensed Architects in Vermont soliciting input, posting this on the website, and including the same in a newsletter that will be mailed in April, 2010.

Vice Chair Guillot recommended streamlining the process by using NCARB to be the independent evaluator in reviewing and overseeing the qualifications of individualsthatareapplyingunderthe9yearrule. Vice Chair Guillot will look into this process further and report the Board in April his findings.

6. **REVIEW APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE**

MOTION made by J. Stackpole to approve Kendall M. Young for licensure pending an updated tax form is returned. Seconded by Chairman Wolfstein. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION made by J. Stackpole to approve Dierdre McDonnell to grant licensure based on NCARB. Seconded by Chairman Wolfstein. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION made by I. Nichol to approve Kevin Evernham to grant licensure based on NCARB. Seconded by Chairman Wolfstein. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION made by I. Nichol to approve Stephen Furnstahl to grant licensure based on NCARB. Seconded by J. Stackpole. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION made by J. Arbuckle to approve Henry C. Klover to grant licensure based on NCARB. Seconded by Chairman Wolfstein. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION made by J. Arbuckle to approve Maximilian L. Ferrotto grant licensure pending verification from either New Hampshire or Massachusetts indicating he is in good standing. Seconded by Chairman Wolfstein. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION made by A. Aho to approve Jonathan Rheetog grant licensure based on NCARB. Seconded by Chairman Wolfstein. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION by Vice Chair Guillot to approve Adam Pelkey to grant licensure based on NCARB. Seconded by J. Arbuckle. Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION by Vice Chair Guillot for Gregory Boshart to grant licensure based on NCARB. Seconded by J. Arbuckle. Motion passed 6-0.

7. APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

Board approves the request from J. Alessandrino in the exchange in indirect supervision requirement (reflecting the latest NCARB definition). The Board waives the monthly in-person request with supervisors, if she meets monthly with her mentor or who is licensed and maintains a log or journal briefly outlining dates, topics and items of discussion subsequently initialed by the licensed architect/mentor.

8. NEWSLETTER TOPICS

Board Members Arbuckle and Nichols will write up an introduction for the newsletters; Chairman Wolfstein drafting a letter for the board on the Legislature bill and an article on the "greener meetings (paperless)"; J. Arbuckle will write the rules for IDP. 2.0 and C. Winters article on netwe-licensing. All information shall be forwarded to Terry Ford to draft newsletter for April 5, 2010 board meeting.

9. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

10. NATIONAL PRESERVATION INSTITUTE MATERIAL

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

12. OTHER BUSINESS INTRODUCED

The board reviewed the new application for licensure for the Architects. Recommend adding a checklist, add 2 more lines for the Education, IDP informational lines, and to remove the "Report of Supervised Practical Experience (3 pages) completely from the application. Correct ionstobemadeanddrafttobe distributed for the next board meeting.

13. NEXT SCHEDULE MEETING – APRIL 5, 2010 AT 10:00 AM IN CONFERENCE A